

NAB petition 04-160 should be rejected. A prior restraint by the FCC is not necessary (and arguably unconstitutional), especially in the context of wheather and traffic, which are in the public interest. Satellite radio does not interfere with reception of AM/FM signals. Rather, it's existence has offered a more appealing alternative, which has given listeners a choice where none existed before.

Unless it can be established that the satellite radio companies are botching content of "local interest" coverage, the FCC should not interfere. Even then, the FCC should pause because satellite radio is subject to the forces of the market -- if bad information is proffered, then fewer people will subscribe to their services.

Accordingly, please refrain from interfering with satellite radio broadcasting information that is in the public's interest.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Morris